

VETOES

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 862.

This bill allows certain counties to provide that volunteer advanced life support personnel are eligible for workers' compensation coverage. It also expands the definition of a "public safety employee" to include volunteer advanced life support personnel.

Senate Bill 219, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 29, 1990, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 862.

Sincerely,
William Donald Schaefer
Governor

House Bill No. 862

AN ACT concerning

Workers' Compensation – Advanced Life Support Personnel

FOR the purpose of adding members of certain volunteer advanced life support units to the list of those eligible for coverage under the workers' compensation laws; allowing certain county councils and county commissioners to provide for this coverage; adding advanced life support personnel to a certain definition; and generally relating to members of advanced life support units.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 101 – Workmen's Compensation

Section 21(c)(5), 34(e), and 67(16)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1985 Replacement Volume and 1989 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 101 – Workmen's Compensation

21.

(c) The following employees are exempt from the coverage of this act:

(5) (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, members of volunteer police departments, nonsalaried members of boards or commissions, volunteer workers for agencies or departments of any political subdivisions, volunteer civil defense members or trainees, AND members of volunteer fire departments [and], rescue squads, AND ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT UNITS in